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For : FOLDING BOX WITH BASE OFFSET TO THE INSIDE OF THE BOX
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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Hon. Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In advance of prosecution, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel the previous version of the following claims and replace them with the following rewritten version. A marked up copy showing the amendment since the previous version is annexed as separate pages.

Claim 1 (amended). A folding box 1 having a rectangular pack casing, and a lid part 41 which is connected to the border side of said pack casing and is provided with an insertion flap 45 which engages in the pack casing, wherein in each case one intermediate flap 21, 22, 23, 24 is articulated, in the base region 30, on each of the four side walls 11, 12, 13, 14 which form the pack casing, the intermediate flaps 21, 22, 23, 24 all being of the same height, and wherein in each case one base flap 31, 32, 33, 34 is articulated on each of the four intermediate flaps 21, 22, 23, 24, in each case two of the base flaps 31, 32, 33, 34 being adhesively bonded to one another such that the base 30 automatically closes as the folding box 1 is erected.

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Claim 3 (amended). The folding box according to Claim 1, wherein the supporting strip 423 and the second spacer crosspiece 424 have a cutout which is provided for accommodating the product and is adapted to the shape of the latter.

Claim 4 (amended). The folding box according to Claim 1, wherein, in the case of the flaps 42, 44, the adhesive 425 is followed in each case by a third spacer crosspiece 428, via a folding line 126, and by a second adhesive flap 429, via a folding line 127.

Claim 5 (amended). The folding box, according to Claim 1, wherein at least two of the four side walls 11, 12, 13, 14 which form the pack casing taper slightly in the direction of the lid region 40 starting from the base region 30.

Claim 6 (amended). The folding box according to Claim 1, wherein provided in the front side wall 13 is a cutout 131 which extends into the adjacent side walls 12, 14 and is covered by a transparent film.

Claim 7 (amended). The folding box according to Claim 1, containing a jar with a screw closure positioned thereon.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed to eliminate multiple dependency and to conform the claims to conventional format.

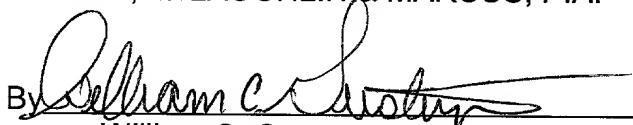
Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

ADDITIONAL FEE

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Respectfully submitted,

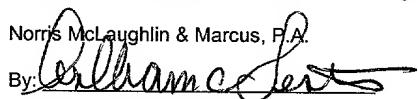
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MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIM,
SHOWING CHANGES RELATIVE TO PREVIOUS VERSION

Claim 1 (amended). A folding box 1 [for goods such as glasses, bottles, jars or similar products, in particular for cosmetics articles,] having a rectangular pack casing, and a lid part 41 which is connected to the border side of said pack casing and is provided with an insertion flap 45 which engages in the pack casing, wherein in each case one intermediate flap 21, 22, 23, 24 is articulated, in the base region 30, on each of the four side walls 11, 12, 13, 14 which form the pack casing, the intermediate flaps 21, 22, 23, 24 all being of the same height, and wherein in each case one base flap 31, 32, 33, 34 is articulated on each of the four intermediate flaps 21, 22, 23, 24, in each case two of the base flaps 31, 32, 33, 34 being adhesively bonded to one another such that the base 30 automatically closes as the folding box 1 is erected.

Claim 3 (amended). The folding box [as claimed in claims 1 and 2] according to Claim 1, wherein the supporting strip 423 and the second spacer crosspiece 424 have a cutout which is provided for accommodating the product and is adapted to the shape of the latter.

Claim 4 (amended). The folding box [as claimed in one or more of the preceding claims] according to Claim 1, wherein, in the case of the flaps 42, 44, the adhesive 425 is followed in each case by a third spacer crosspiece 428, via a folding line 126, and by a second adhesive flap 429, via a folding line 127.

Claim 5 (amended). The folding box [as claimed in one or more of the preceding claims], according to Claim 1, wherein at least two of the four side walls 11, 12, 13, 14 which form the pack casing taper slightly in the direction of the lid region 40 starting from the base region 30.

Claim 6 (amended). The folding box [as claimed in one or more of the preceding claims] according to Claim 1, wherein provided in the front side wall 13 is a cutout 131 which extends[, in particular,] into the adjacent side walls 12, 14 and is covered[, in particular,] by a transparent film.

Claim 7 (amended). The folding box [as claimed in one or more of the preceding claims] according to Claim 1, containing a jar with a screw closure positioned thereon.